

## Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, Pa.,

COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1883.

Hon A. Landon Snowden

Superintendent -

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